FISCAL NOTE

SB 1252 - HB 1206

April 10, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a pilot project to provide access to free computer training for persons who are receiving unemployment compensation benefits. The Board of Regents shall develop curricula and class schedules for basic computer training courses which shall be offered at the state's various community colleges and technology centers.

The Board of Regents shall report to the General Assembly no later than March 1, l998, the number of persons enrolled in the free basic computer training courses. The pilot program shall cease to exist on July 1, 1998.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - $87,750 One-Time

Pilot

Number of pilot sites	9 (3 metro and 6 rural)
Average cost per class	$ 650
Est. Number of classes per site per yr.	15 (50% of classes offered are actually filled)
Estimated Cost	$ 87,750

Assumptions used for Pilot:
(1) 5 types of classes offered in each of the metropolitan areas of Memphis, Nashville, and Knoxville, and in 6 rural locations (2 in each Grand Division).
(2) 5 types of classes include: General computing, word-processing, spreadsheet, graphics, and database.
(3) Courses will be repeated 2 times each semester for two semesters and summer. (5 classes offered twice each semester x 3 semesters per year = 30 classes, of which only 15 classes will make per year)
(4) Average course cost is $650. (10 enrollees x $65 per person)
(5) Classes must have 10 enrollees to make a class.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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